



BOROUGH OF LEWES.

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health
for 1943.

Mr. Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report for the year 1943 drawn up in accordance with the instructions of the Ministry of Health given in Circular 2773. Accordingly this report has been typed and restricted to essentials, which procedure accounts for its brevity.

I wish to express my appreciation of the valuable assistance given by the Sanitary Inspector, Mr. W. I. Price.

As this is in the nature of a farewell report I wish to thank the Council for the great kindness and consideration they have always shewn me.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

W. R. DUNSTAN.

Medical Officer of Health.

9. 5. 44.

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Town Hall,
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Staff. No changes in 1943.

Infectious Diseases. There was one epidemic outbreak of measles during 1943. The number of cases notified was Pulmonary Tuberculosis 19, non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis 5; Scarlet Fever 15; Diphtheria 3; Measles and Whooping-cough 299; Pneumonia 7; Erysipelas 10; Puerperal Pyrexia 3; Cerebro-spinal Meningitis 4; Malaria B.T.1. Ophthalmia Neonatorium 1.

The Isolation Hospital Scheme has worked smoothly.

Hospitals. The cases treated were as follows:-

(1) Newhaven Isolation Hospital. Scarlet Fever 9;
Diphtheria 3.

Burgess Hill Isolation Hospital. Erysipelas 3;
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis. 4.

(2) Old Rectory Hospital. Impetigo 12; Scabies 30;
Chicken-pox 30; Measles 26; German Measles 2; Whooping Cough 9;
Bronchitis 4; Influenza 6; Dysentery 1; Excema 1; Ringworm 1;
Swollen Glands 1; Septic Spots 2; Boils 3; Tonsillitis 2. Total 132.

Diphtheria Immunisation. Total 204. Under 5 years 154. Over 5 years 50.

Vital Statistics. These are being preserved for the duration of the War with a view to publication later.

Sanitary Inspection. During 1943 inspection of the district was carried out as thoroughly as possible having regard to the limited time available owing to War conditions.

The following visits were carried out during the year -

Under the Food & Drugs Act.	102.
" " Public Health Act.	251.
" " Factories Acts.	9.
" " Petroleum (Consolidation) Act.	16.
" " Public Health (Tuberculosis) Regs.	16.
" " Rats & Mice Destruction Order.	37.
Visits to cases of Infectious Disease.	16.
" " Knackers Yard.	13.
Complaints attended to.	82.

